

**TREATMENT PROVIDER GUIDELINES FOR PROFESSIONALS WHO
TREAT ADULT SEX OFFENDERS**

General Qualifications	Clinical / Full Provider Status	Associate Provider Status	Provisional Provider Status
Degree Requirements	Possesses an advanced degree (masters level or higher) from an accredited college or university in a clinical or clinically related field.	Possesses an advanced degree (masters level or higher) from an accredited college or university in a clinical or clinically related field.	Possesses a bachelor's degree in counseling, social work, sociology, criminal justice, psychology, or other related field.
Licensure Requirements	Currently licensed in New York State as a psychiatrist, psychologist, social worker, mental health counselor, psychiatric nurse, or other mental health professional.	Currently licensed in New York State as a psychiatrist, psychologist, social worker, mental health counselor, psychiatric nurse, or other mental health professional; or meets the requirements to practice within a New York State agency operated program.	NA
Experience	Within the past 7 years, 2,000 hours of experience in the areas of treatment and evaluation of adults who have committed a sexual offense. This experience should have been under clinical supervision.	Within the past 3 years, 500 hours of experience in the areas of treatment and evaluation of adults who have committed a sexual offense, at least 250 hours of which must be face-to-face clinical treatment. This experience should have been under clinical supervision.	Less than 500 hours of experience in the areas of treatment and evaluation of adults who have committed a sexual offense. This experience should have been under clinical supervision.
Maintenance of Status	To maintain this status the practitioner must accumulate at least 400 hours of clinical experience in the areas of sex offender treatment, evaluation, or supervision per year.	To maintain this status the practitioner must accumulate an average of 200 hours of clinical experience in the areas of sex offender treatment, evaluation, or supervision per year over 3 years.	Provisional providers should accumulate sufficient hours to meet the requirements for an Associate Provider within 3 years.
Training	An average of 30 hours per year of training related to the treatment and evaluation of sex offenders or sex offender management.	A minimum of 40 hours per year of training related to the treatment and evaluation of sex offenders or sex offender management.	A minimum of 40 hours per year of training related to the treatment and evaluation of sex offenders or sex offender management.
Supervisor	None.	Be supervised by someone at the full provider level.	Be supervised by someone at the full or associate provider level.

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Guidelines for All Treatment Provider Levels:

All levels- clinical/full provider, associate provider, and provisional provider- have identical requirements as to references, criminal background checks, standards of practice and ethics.

References	Criminal Background Check	Standards of Practice	Ethics
References may be requested.	Anyone convicted of a crime, offense, or violation that relates directly or indirectly to their fitness to provide sex offender treatment is not eligible.	Providers shall adhere to the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA) Practice Standards and Guidelines for the evaluation, treatment and management of adult male sexual abusers (2005) as well as the practice standards of their chosen mental health disciplines.	Comply with the Code of Ethics of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA).

Note: Treatment providers should document whether or not they meet the guidelines. For example, providers should document how many hours of training they receive per year, and how many hours of treatment they provide per year. Providers should save this documentation for 7 years.